EOD Officer Career Overview

Newly commissioned Ensigns, designated 1190, will complete the EOD Diver course at Naval Diving and Salvage Training Center, and progress directly to EOD training at Naval School EOD. Graduates will then be assigned as Division Officers at EOD Mobile Units (EODMU) where they will be immersed in the community's core warfighting competencies of EOD, Expeditionary Diving and Salvage and Underwater Mine Countermeasures. During this first EOD officer tour, officers will begin a rigorous qualification process involving a variety of PQS and advanced EOD, diving and mobility training requirements. Once officers successfully complete warfare qualification standards they will be redesignated 1140.

Post- EODMU assignments include operations officers at EODMUs and Mobile Diving and Salvage Units (MDSU), EOD shore detachment OICs, Riverine Squadron detachment OICs and CSG, ESG, MCM squadron, JSOC and NECC staffs. Additionally, officers have opportunity to pursue graduate education through a variety of programs at Naval Postgraduate School, the Naval War College and other service colleges.

The EOD community offers officers opportunity for Executive Officer at EODMUs, MDSUs, the Naval Diving and Salvage Training Center, Naval Experimental Diving Unit, Naval School Explosive Ordnance Disposal, Riverine Squadrons and as CO of Reserve EOD Units. Opportunity for Commander Command exists at EODMUs, MDSUs, EOD Training and Evaluation Units, a Riverine Squadron and the Naval Diving and Salvage Training Center. Major Command opportunities are also available for EOD officers.

Demand for the skill sets inherent to our officers is not diminishing. EOD officers have been and continue to serve valiantly in OIF/OEF as well as other contingency operations throughout the globe in support of Navy, Army and Marine Corps conventional and special operations forces.